

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 417
By Rochelle

A RESOLUTION to honor Ms. Leslie Leigh Hall, 1996
valedictorian of Mt. Juliet High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Leslie Leigh Hall is one such outstanding student who has distinguished herself as valedictorian of the 1996 graduating class at Mt. Juliet High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Leslie has achieved extraordinary academic success and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, born November 4, 1977, in Nashville, she was a popular and highly regarded student at Mt. Juliet Christian Academy (kindergarten), Southern Elementary School, Lexington, Kentucky (grades 1-3), Gladeville Elementary School (grades 4-6) and Mt. Juliet Junior High School (grades 7-9), before spending the last three years at Mt. Juliet High School; and

WHEREAS, her principals have included Nawanna Fairchild at Southern, Jane Atwood at Gladeville, Jim Farley at Mt. Juliet Junior High and Phil Barnes at Mt. Juliet Senior High; and

WHEREAS, in her laudable high school career, she has earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average, a 99.135 average and an ACT score of 30; and

WHEREAS, she was also selected as Homecoming Queen, Most Popular, as a member of the Academic Hall of Fame, an All-American Cheerleader and received the prestigious Daughters of the American Revolution Award; and

WHEREAS, Leslie has served admirably as Senior Class Secretary, National Honor Society Secretary, Varsity Cheerleader, and as a member of the French Club Executive Council, Beta Club, Mu Alpha Theta, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Young Men and Women For Jesus, Youth Leadership Wilson and the National Guild of Piano Teachers; and

WHEREAS, her strong and deep faith is evinced by her active membership in the Gladeville Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, her excellent choice of role models includes Susan Miller, Tony Cook, Beverly Sharpe, Carolyn Bunger, Claire Vance, Glenda Smith, her parents and God; and

WHEREAS, her hobbies include playing the piano, reading, writing and camping; and

WHEREAS, Leslie's display of intellectual prowess and inner drive surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, she plans to attend Belmont University and major in music; and

WHEREAS, Leslie's noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, David Lester Hall and Kathy Parrish Hall, sister Laura Beth Hall, grandparents James and Jean Hall and Ann and Charles Parrish, her principal, her school, her guidance counselors Kama White and Janice Webber, the Superintendent of Schools Kip Puryear and her community; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Leigh Hall's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Ms. Leslie Leigh Hall on being the 1996 valedictorian at Mt. Juliet High School and wish her well in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be furnished to Leslie Leigh Hall, with this final resolving clause deleted from that copy.